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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING AN EARLY WARNING OF THERMAL DECAY IN MAGNETIC STORAGE DEVICES

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This application claims priority from U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/223,444 filed August 4, 2000. The entire disclosure of the provisional application is considered to be part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference. Enclosed for filing with the above-identified utility patent application, please find the following:

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4.  Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
5.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
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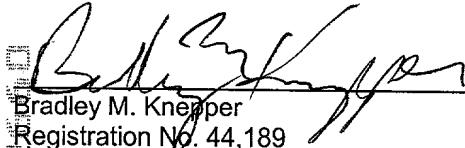
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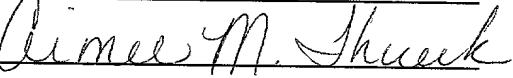
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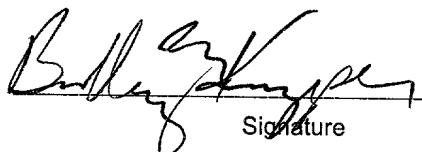
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